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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

When the above-identified patent application is taken up for consideration, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of claim 6 and addition of new claims 27-30. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

Please cancel claim 9.

Please amend the following claim:

(Twice amended) The device of claim 1 wherein the base sheet further comprises a tab, 6. suitable to wrap around a portion of the body adjacent to the selected skin surface, and adhere when the [devise] device is applied, thus providing a compression which increases the contact between the body surface and the at least one bead.

Please add the following new claims:

07/22/2002 'SDENBOB1 000000ф9 0983ф082 (New) The device of claim 1, wherein the selected skin surface of a human body is a 27. tragus and wherein the orienting margin is shaped to correspond to the front of the tragus when the base sheet is placed on the selected body surface.

(New) The device of claim 1, wherein the selected skin surface of a human body is an 28. antitragus and wherein the orienting margin is shaped to correspond to the base of the 8 36.00

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